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CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A load driver comprising:

an inverter (20) driving a load (MG);

a voltage converter (11) executing voltage conversion between a power supply (B) and said inverter (20); and

a control device (30) controlling said inverter (20) to drive said load (MG) by changing control mode of said load (MG) from a rectangular-wave control mode to one of a pulse-width-modulation control mode and an overmodulation control mode, upon receiving a command to perform a boosting operation by said voltage converter (11) when the control mode of said load (MG) is said rectangular-wave control mode.

- 2. (Amended) The load driver according to claim 1, wherein said control device (30) controls said inverter (20) to drive said load (MG) by changing said control mode to said pulse-width-modulation control mode.
- 3. The load driver according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said control device (30) controls said inverter (20) to drive said load (MG) by further suppressing increase of a torque command value.

4. A load driver comprising:

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an inverter (20) driving a load (MG);

a voltage converter (11) executing voltage conversion between a power supply (B) and said inverter (20); and

a control device (30) controlling said inverter (20) to drive said load (MG) by suppressing increase of a torque command value, upon receiving a command to perform a boosting operation by said voltage converter (11) when control mode of said load (MG) is a rectangular-wave control mode.

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- 5. (Amended) A load driver comprising:
- an inverter (20) driving a load (MG);
- a voltage converter (11) executing voltage conversion between a power supply (B) and said inverter (20); and
 - a control device (30) controlling said inverter (20) to drive said load (MG) in one of a pulse-widgth-modulation control mode and an overmodulation control mode when said voltage converter (11) performs a boosting operation.

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